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### Special Emphasis Panel in Networking and Communications Research and Infrastructure; Notice of Meeting

In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, as amended), the National Science Foundation announces the following meeting.

*Name:* Special Emphasis for NSFNET Connections Panel (#1207)  
*Date and Time:* September 25, 1996; 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.  
*Place:* Room 1175  
*Type of Meeting:* Closed  
*Contact Person(s):* Mark Luker, Program Director, CISE/NCRI, Room 1175, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, VA 22230, (703) 306-1950.  
*Purpose of Meeting:* To provide advice and recommendations concerning proposals submitted to NSF for financial support.  
*Agenda:* To review and evaluate proposals submitted for the NSFNET Connections Program.

*Reason for Closing:* The proposals being reviewed include information of a proprietary or confidential nature, including technical information; financial data, such as salaries, and personal information concerning individuals associated with the proposals. These matters are exempt under 5 U.S.C. 552b.(c) (4) and (6) of the Government in the Sunshine Act.

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### NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

#### Advisory Committee on Nuclear Waste; Notice of Meeting

The Advisory Committee on Nuclear Waste (ACNW) will hold its 86th meeting on September 26 and 27, 1996, at the Hotel San Remo, 115 East Tropicana Avenue, Las Vegas, Nevada, in Chateau 1 and Chateau 2. The date of this meeting was previously published in the Federal Register on Wednesday, December 6, 1995 (60 FR 62485).

The entire meeting will be open to public attendance. The agenda for this meeting shall be as follows: *Thursday, September 26, 1996—8:30 A.M. until 6:00 P.M. Friday, September 27, 1996—8:30 A.M. until the conclusion of business*

During this meeting, the Committee plans to consider the following:

*A. Radionuclide Transport at Yucca Mountain*—The Committee will investigate the status and results of studies and modeling of radionuclide transport in the saturated and unsaturated zone at Yucca Mountain. This topic will constitute the entire meeting on Thursday. Specific focus will be on the transport of radionuclides in fracture systems at Yucca Mountain. This will include the ingress of water to the repository horizon and geochemical processes that affect transport of radionuclides out of the repository via fracture systems.

*B. Site Characterization*—The Committee will discuss site characterization integration through the use of performance assessment. A continuation of discussions with the Department of Energy on Total System Performance Assessment will be held with emphasis on the use of expert elicitation panels.

*C. Repository Design for Viability Assessment*—The Committee will discuss the advanced conceptual design for the proposed repository at Yucca Mountain, Nevada, with representatives of the Department of Energy and other interested parties.

*D. Public Comments*—The Committee will hear comments from members of the public on concerns related to nuclear waste disposal.

*E. Preparation of ACNW Reports*—The Committee will discuss proposed reports, including: radionuclide transport at Yucca Mountain, specifying a critical group and reference biosphere to be used in a performance assessment of a nuclear waste disposal facility, the consideration of coupled processes (thermal-mechanical-hydrological-chemical) in the design of a high-level waste repository, time of compliance in high- and low-level waste disposal, and the DOE program plan and waste isolation strategy.

*F. Committee Activities/Future Agenda*—The Committee will consider topics proposed for future consideration by the full Committee and Working Groups. The Committee will discuss ACNW-related activities of individual members.

*G. Miscellaneous*—The Committee will discuss miscellaneous matters related to the conduct of Committee activities and organizational activities and complete discussion of matters and specific issues that were not completed during previous meetings, as time and availability of information permit.

Procedures for the conduct of and participation in ACNW meetings were published in the Federal Register on

September 27, 1995 (60 FR 49924). In accordance with these procedures, oral or written statements may be presented by members of the public, electronic recordings will be permitted only during those portions of the meeting that are open to the public, and questions may be asked only by members of the Committee, its consultants, and staff. Persons desiring to make oral statements should notify the Chief, Nuclear Waste Branch, Mr. Richard K. Major, as far in advance as practicable so that appropriate arrangements can be made to schedule the necessary time during the meeting for such statements. Use of still, motion picture, and television cameras during this meeting will be limited to selected portions of the meeting as determined by the ACNW Chairman. Information regarding the time to be set aside for this purpose may be obtained by contacting the Chief, Nuclear Waste Branch prior to the meeting. In view of the possibility that the schedule for ACNW meetings may be adjusted by the Chairman as necessary to facilitate the conduct of the meeting, persons planning to attend should notify Mr. Major as to their particular needs.

Further information regarding topics to be discussed, whether the meeting has been canceled or rescheduled, the Chairman's ruling on requests for the opportunity to present oral statements and the time allotted therefore can be obtained by contacting Mr. Richard K. Major, Chief, Nuclear Waste Branch (telephone 301/415-7366), between 8:00 A.M. and 5:00 P.M. EDT.

ACNW meeting notices, meeting transcripts, and letter reports are now available on FedWorld from the "NRC MAIN MENU." Direct Dial Access number to FedWorld is (800) 303-9672; the local direct dial number is 703-321-3339.

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#### Issuance of a Memorandum of Understanding between the Nuclear Regulatory Commission and the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection

**AGENCY:** Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

**ACTION:** Notice of issuance of a Memorandum of Understanding.

**SUMMARY:** This notice is to advise the public of the issuance of a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)